CURRENT TOPICS. NEARLY 37,000,000 babies are born in this

world every year.

Iowa proposes to build a \$100,000 soldiers' monument at Des Moines.

DEER are reported unusually numerou in the upper part of Franklin County, Me. WHEN the German Emperor visits England this year he will mostly live aboard

A copy of the first edition of Charles Lever's works lately sold in England for

WHEN President Harrison drives out he prefers a light wagon and usually acts as his own driver.

A DEED made in 1776 by William Smith, of Philadelphia, has been found in a Huntington cockloft.

THE City of Rome consumes an average of 300 tons of coal a day in crossing the ocean at top speed.

In a recent Sunday Issue of a New York newspaper seventy-seven tons of white paper were consumed. P. T. BARNUM has given \$11,000 to the

Universalist Church of Bridgeport, Conn., thus freeing it from debt. A BROOKLYN man dreamed he was in a scrimmage, and drew his pistol from under

his pillow and shot himself. A PROMINENT citizen, aged ninety-two, of Dayton, Tenn., was married recently to a woman thirty-eight years old.

A STRANGE Illness is reported from Hungary. A young girl had a fit of sneezing which lasted twenty-four hours.

A BRIDEGROOM at Monroe, Ga., being

without money, gave the justice a little rabbit dog which he had with him. To ENCOURAGE sorgum sugar-making, the Kansas Legislature has exempted all sugar plants from taxation until 1895.

Ir cost the English Government \$170,183 to keep the royal palaces in order last year and \$445,065 for royal parks and gar-According to the returns of the Judicial

Department the number of native lawyers in Japan on the 31st of December was D. STUMP, of Burnt Cabin, York County,

Pa., can put a large goose egg in his mouth and close his lips without crushing the shell. FREDERICK VILLIERS, the London Graph-

ic artist, has come to this country to obtain pictures of the centennial for his UNDER the new license law of Massachu-

setts only 780 drinking-places can be licensed in Boston-one for every 500 inhab-THE Canadian Parliament wants En

gland to send a war vessel to Behring's Sea to teach the United States authorities HALF a dozen Cape Cod towns are quar-

reling over the question which of them shall celebrate the 250th anniversary of Cape Cod. Ar Chicago thirteen-year-old Charlile Howard shot and captured a burglar,

drove another one away and recovered their booty. ENGLISH as it is written in Omaha: "Owners of dogs must register them be-for the 10th of May, or they will be shot

by the police." THE once fighting Modoc Indians have become industrious farmers in the past twelve years, and half of them have pro-

fessed Christianity. Ar a wedding in Saline County, Kan., the groom charged the guests fifty cents each for supper and sold them popcorn at five cents a package.

A CHICAGO negro put in an hour in a claimed to be. His frozen nose and ears are proofs that it was.

THE watermelon center of the world is at Quitman, Ga., a town of 2,500 inhabitants. Last year 1,100,000 watermelons were shipped from Quitman.

JAMES REDPATH says the continuation of the rent agitation in Ireland has had the

effect of causing a reduction of the rents in Ireland—at least \$25,000,000. THE regular income of John D. Rocke feller is \$20,000,000 a year. That makes

him the richest man in the United States, perhaps the very richest in the world. THE effort of the Fish Commission to propagate shad in the Colorado river has been successful, and the Indians of Ari-

ABRAM S. HEWITT, who is now London, has a suite of rooms directly ever those of General Boulanger. It is said that the two have a ready dined together.

A LITTLE Episcopal chapel, built in memory of Paul H. Hayne, has just been dediof the cottage wherein the post spent his juries which will cause his death. 'Ir you want to see the best pig in the

county, call on me." This is the way a Cameron County (Pa.) man advertises the fact that he has some likely young swine to dispose of. LEYI JOHNSON, of Boston, Ga., is 84 years

old and has been blind for ten years. The other day his sight suddenly returned to him and he called for a book and read with Our of 100,000 people who cross the At

lantic from New York to Liverpool the loss of life is not as great as among 100, 000 who travel between New York and Pittsburgh by rail. A CURIOUS result of being hit with a

base-ball is reported from Philadelphia. A stuttering man was struck in the mouth, and when he got well the impediment in his speech had disappeared. A PHILADELPHIAN who advertised that

he was "lame, cross-eyed, had the catarrh and a bad temper, and was given to profanity and drink, but wanted a wife," received 200 letters in four days.

HENRY RIGG, of Delaware County, Pa. caught a trout that weighed five pounds. He was greatly delighted until he discovered that the boys had filled the fish up

with shot before it was weighed. THE only retired Supreme Justice is Wm. Strong, who lives quietly in Washington, lecturing occasionally. He resigned in 1880. He is paid \$10,000 annually

from the United States treasury. MISS SUSANNA M. DUNKLER, of Newton. Mass., the first woman to be bank treasure in the United States, with the help of a clerk, now handles about \$500,000 in money each year. In the fifteen years of her experience she has but twice taken in a

counterfeit bil!-in each case a \$10 one. ONE of Boulanger's closest adherents i an American negro who acts as the great agitator's valet. The negro's name is Jules Simeon, and he was born a slave in Louisiana about forty years ago

JOHN BRIGHT was the only Cabinet Minister who never knelt to the Queen, his reason being that he could not render an earthly potentate the homage which he owed to the Supreme Being alone.

THAT trouble begins early with some people was not long ago forcibly illus-trated in Nashville by the amputation at the thigh of the leg of a three-days-old baby. The leg had been broken and ganwas not long ago forcibly illusgreen had set in. Amputation was necessary to save life, and the life was saved.

CHICKAMAUGA.

Defining the Position of the Two Armies on the Historic Field

As They Stood and Fought and Wavered Twenty-five Years Ago-The Spot Where General Lytle Fell Loented and Marked.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., May 6.-The distinguished party of gentlemen, composed of General Rosecrans, General Cist, Gen-eral Kellogg, General Boynton and others appointed to inspect the battle-field of Chickamauga and locate the battle lines, visited the battle-field yesterday. They rode over all of it except the portion about Crawfish Spring. The battle lines and positions were established as given in the revised map made last October by order of the War Department except that there was a slight change as to the route taken by Granger's Reserve Corps when he joined Thomas at Snodgrass Hill. The widow Glenn's house, which was General Rosecrans' headquarters, and the bistoric "tan-yard" were identified beyond question. The party was composed of the committee as given in previous dispatches and citizens of Chattanooga. General Joe Wheeler was the only Confederate officer present. Adjutant-General Pirtle located the spot where General W. H. Lytle was killed, from evidence which seems indisputable, and a pile of stones was made until it can be more appropriately marked. An old man named Weathers, aged eightythree years, walked four miles to see Gen eral Rosecrans. He had lived on the field at the time of the battle, and had given General Rosecrans a drink of water. old man seemed to be transported with joy when General Resecrans shook hands with him. The party remained at Snodgrass Hill all afternoon taking general observa-tions, and then returned to the city. To-day they will visit Lookout Mountain and other points of interest, and Tuesday will return to the battle-field and enter into the work in detail. General Rosecrans, in an interview, said: "This is my first visit to the battle-field since the war, and it is difficult fer me to locate many of the places, but each will find some spot with which he is familiar, and in this way by a general conference all questions can be definitely and accurately settled. It is the intention to convert the battle-field into a national park, and there is every reason to believe that the plan will succeed." any

RED SKINS EXCITED.

Medicine Man Predicts the Speedy Extinction of the White Race, and Causes a Commotion Among the Shoshones and

DENVER, COL. May 6 .- A telegram received here from the Indian Agency in the outhern part of Wyoming Territory says: "The Shoshones and Arrapahoe tribes of Indians at the Shoshone Agency have been unusually active during the past two weeks. Delegates from the other tribes have been visiting them, councils have been held and various dances indulged in by young and old. From a medicine man of the Shoshones it is learned that the commotion is caused by the general belief of the members of the tribe that an Indian millennium is close at hand. A leading medicine man has predicted that when the snow has come and gone once all the dead Indians will return to life. He also predicts that at the same time all white men will disappear. The Indians are intensely excited over prophecies and extra precautions are being taken by the officers of the agency to guard against an outbreak amon themg.

Extra Session of Congress Probable. WASHINGTON, May 6.- Senator Ingalls said recently: "In my opinion there will be an extra session of Congress called next fail, probably about the middle of October. This course has been deemed judicious, with a view to organizing the House of Representatives and getting legislation in shape before the holiday

recess." Rallroad Conductor Killed.

ERIE, PA., May 6 .- Edward Root, a conductor on the Philadelphia and Eric railroad, received a fatal injury last night His limbs were mangled and death followed the surgical operations. Root was single and a member of the Pennsylvania Railway Relief Association. Root walked sona are getting their first taste of that off the end of the car and was run over.

Fatal Fall from a Mountain. CHATTANOOGA, TENN., May 6 .- Yesterlay morning at Soddy, Miles Harris fell off the mountain. After dropping fifty feet or more, he struck a tree-top, the branches of which, to some extent, broke his fall and saved him from instant death cated in Georgia. It stands within sight He broke a leg and sustained internal in-

Destructive Floods in Canada.

Quenec, May 6.-Terrible inundations have occurred in all directions up the Saguenay river. Between Chicoutimi and St. Alphonse most all the bridges have been swept away. There was already considerable poverty among the inhabitants of that district, even seed grain being very scarce.

Double Murder at Cards.

LYKENS, Pa., May 6.—An Englishman named Ward shot and killed two persons here last night during a quarrel over a game of cards. The victims were named Johns and Miller. The murderer was ar-

Immigrants.

New York, May 6 .- Nearly 4,500 immigrants were landed at Castle Garden yesterday, 1,669 from Liverpool, 918 from Glasgow, 727 from Copenhagen, 710 from Antwerp, 665 from Havre and 291 from

Hamburg. A CURIOUS COLLECTION.

An Albany snowshoe club kept themselves in practice during the open winter by putting a lot of spring beds in a circle. covering them with canvas and tramping

over them to slow music. A KINGSTON (N. Y.) minister married couple one night recently, and when signa-tures were asked to the certificate it was found that neither the bride, groom, best man nor bridesmaid could write their names.

They all signed by making marks. THE latest freak of cigarette advertising agents has been adopted in New York. The agents bought up all the windows they could in private houses along the line of the ele-vated raliroads and filled them with small cards calling attention to a special brand of

PERHAPS the most novel organization in the State of New York exists in Poughkeepsie. It is a military company composed entirely of girls and drilled by Major Hanpennestel, a senior officer of the National Guard. The young ladies in every instance long to the best families in Poughkeep

A MILWAUKEE genius has established a ashool for the training of professional beg-gars. He furnishes disguises, rules for beg-ging and a regular route for each of his pupils, telling them the stories to use and the peculiarities of those they are likely to meet. In exchange he demands half the

SAVES ROOM AND WEIGHT.

Important Change in the Botlers for Our Naval Vessels.

WASHINGTON, May 4 - Secretary Tracy has determined to give coil steam boilers a practical trial to test their value for use in large naval vessels. Secretary Whitney took the preliminary steps toward such a trial, and some manufacturers built boilers for the trial, but as the end of the administration was drawing near, the project was dropped. Coll boilers have proved very successful in small boats, but they have not passed the experimental state in large vessels, although the French government has placed them in a number of war ships. Part of the steam power for the armored coast defense vessel is to be generated by this type of boller. It will be a long time, however before the boilers of the coast defense vessels are tested, and in the meantime it is proposed to give these boilers a thorough test on land. The special advantages they possess over the old type of marine boilers are in economy of weight and space, two very important factors in the construction of a modern naval vessel, Mr. Irving Scott, of the Union Iron works, San Francisco, said at the Navy department that the cruiser Charleston would go to sea to-day for her official trial. He expressed great confidence in her ability to do anything that the contract calls for. A private telegram from a naval engineer who has been abourd of her and handled her engines says they are perfect in every particular, and prediets a successful trial. It would not be surprising if the first trial did not come up and covering the unfortunate victim with to contract requirements, for the Naniwakau, on whose plans the Charleston has been built had seventeen trials before she was finally successful. The Charleston is, believed to be a much better built ship.

TERRIFIC HAIL-STORM.

Eight Inches of the Joy Balls Drop to the Earth in Half a Minute. RALEIGH, N. C., May 4 .- Warsaw in the eastern part of the State, was struck by a terrific cyclone yesterday morning at four o'clock. Hail fell with such rapidity and violence as to lie eight inches deep in thirty-six seconds. Many small houses were blown away almost bodily. Large houses were torn up so that they are not habitable. The Seminary building was split open and nearly destroyed. The Presbyterian Church was totally demolished, not a stick of timber being left that may be used in rebuilding. Fences were torn up and scattered like leaves. No loss of life is reported, but many people were seriously hurt by the flying timbers. Strawberries are the principal article of early production here, and hundreds of acres were ruined. Exclusive of loss to these crops the damage will exceed \$12,000. g

The Boldest of Burglars. LITTLE ROCK, ARK., May 4.—Word was received from Pocahontas of the robbery of the safe of A. F. Snowtree. The thieves broke into the store, arousing a clerk who slept in the rear room, and who ran out after an officer. While he was absent the robbers blew open the safe, the explosion awakening persons living near the store. The thieves, however, succeeded in escaping in the darkness. They carried off three drawers of the safe containing \$1,400, notes and valuable papers. The town is greatly excited.

Mysteriously Missing.

WHEELING W. VA. May 4 -- Mrs. Mary Jackson, Matron of the West Virginia Hospital for the Insane, has been missing for nearly a month, and great uneasiness is felt among her friends on account thereof. She has dropped completely out of sight, and there is no clew to her whereabouts. Mrs. Jackson is about fifty years Jackson, and Congressman-elect J. M. Jackson, of Parkersburg.

Murderer Hawes' Fate. BIRMINGHAM, ALA., May 4 .- "We, the jury, find the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree, as charged in the indictment, and say he shall suffer death. N. F. Thompson, Foreman." Such was the verdict returned by the jury in the Dick Hawes' case. Last November Hawes killed his wife and two daughters, Mamie and Irene, and a few days afterward married Miss Story, of Columbus, Miss. He was arrested a few days later and brought here for trial.

Two Murderers Hanged.

PETERSBURG, VA., May 4.-At Emporia in Greenville County, two colored men named Walker Harris and Robert Williams were hanged for murder. The crime was committed on February 22, and their victims were Anthony Parham and Emerson Mason, negroes, both of whom were killed with axes. Williams made a conession last night, and said the murder was the result of an old grudge.

Big Railroad Deal, PARKERSBURG, W. VA., May 4.-First mortgage bonds to the amount of \$10,000, -000 have been issued by the Chicago, Parkersburg & Norfolk Railroad Company to the Mercantile Trust Company, of New York, to build the road, and the mortgages are being recorded in the counties through which the road passes. In this State 223 miles will be built directly east from here to the Virginia line.

Crooked Postmaster.

Monnis Minn., May 4 -- Erick E. Solseth, postmaster at Nash, this county, was arrested here and taken to St. Paul. It is charged that he has made a practice of using postage stamps as legal tender in neighboring towns and disposing of some at a discount, reporting them to the Department as canceled by him. It is said he has pocketed \$5,000 or \$6,000 ille-

Ordered Out of Commission.

Washington, May 4 -Orders have been issued from the Navy Department to put the Brooklyn and Essex at New York out of commission.

Murdered by White-Caps. ANNA. ILL., May 4 .- James Gordon, who was whipped by the White-Caps a week ago, died yesterday of his injuries. The manner of Gordon's whipping was most brutal. He was knocked down the ruffians, and afterward held and whip-

have been warned to leave or share the Moonshiners Shoot an Officer. RALKIGH, N. C., May 4 .- Deputy Collecor B. B. Bouldin was probably fatally shot yesterday afternoon, in Johnson

ped on his bare back t-li he fainted. Jona-

than Rose and others of that neighborhood

County, while raiding a distillery. Three Children Fatally Burned.

CLEVELAND, O., May 4.—At Ashtabula, O., this morning, a house occupied by a Portugese family named Silvey, caught fire. The father had gone to work, and the mother to market, leaving three small children in the house. One, a boy of three, was burned to death, and the two othe so badly injured that they will dia

Exterminated Himself and Family. EDGERLY, LA., May 4 .- A terrible trag-

dy occurred at Blair, La., yesterday afernoon. A merchant named Melwick shot his wife and two children, set fire to his residence and burned the bodies of his victims with it and then shot himself.

THE WRECK COMPLETED.

How an Insane Patient was Hurried to the Grave.

Brutal Methods of Teaching an Unruly In mate of an Asylum What His Keepers Desired Him to Do.

CHICAGO, May 8 .- Coroner Hertz and jury began an investigation into the cause of the death of Robert Burns, a patient in the Insane Asylum at Jefferson. Attendants Richardson, Cro-gan and Pecha, who are charged with heating him to death were present. A reporter named Black, who gained entrance to the asylum by playing insane, and who witnessed the acts of brutality, was the principal witness. He said that the patient was unruly, but seemed incapable of understanding what was required of him. Once when Burns was ordered to sit on a beach he did not do so, whereupon he was violently thrown down upon it. Rising, in a dazed and helpless way, attendant Richardson kicked him violently in the abdomen. Burns again arose and tried to walk away when Richardson caught him by the collar and threw him to the floor, Richardson, Crogan and Pecha each taking part in it, kicking the helpless lunatic in the side and stomach; striking and cutting and bruising his face with their fists. When this was done, Crogan picked up one of Burns' shoes, and, taking it by the toe, beat the offending patient over the head with the heel of it, cutting great gashes his own blood. By this time he was in a semi-comatose condition and was fast losing consciousness. He was then jerked out of his seat, which was covered with blood that had run down from his head. That night the witness and Burns were put into the same cell. Burns was ordered to remove his clothes, but, not complying, was from all sections of the United States were cuffed. Finally the attendants stripped gathered the men to march in the greatest him, and then Richardson kiched him in demonstration ever made in support of the the abdomen, knocking him across the cot, dea of perfect liberty and equality among At another time, the witness said, he heard the sound of blows in Burns' cell and loud cries from Burns lasting several minutes. Attendants Schulzer, Crogan and Richardson were there. Then a mop and a pail of water were brought, and the door was closed and locked. The attendants evidently came to the conclusion that

the witness was too inquisitive, and he was removed to another part of the building. The reporter came out of the told how, when friends secured his re- making 725 feet in all. porter to be incurably insane; that he staff, concurred in this opinion. Richard-son, Scroggin and Pecha, under advice of their attorney, Francis T. Colby, refused been filled up for many years, but when to testify or be present at the subsequent he cleaned it out the ladder, which was

proceedings, preferring to remain in made sixty-nine years ago, was found to jail. Drs. Kiernan and Schubert, of the be in a perfect state of preservation. asylum, were on the stand, as were a number of other witnesses, but nothing important additional was elicited. A verdict was reached in short order by the jury finding that Richardson and Scroggir caused the lunatic's death. The pair with Attendant Pecha, are already under in- etery, where Legg wished to place flowers dictment for murder. There seems little doubt that Drs. Kiernan and Schubert heavy rains the river is very high, and

An Item for Archæologists.

against them by the grand jury.

WATERLOO, IA., May 3 .- Important discoveries have been made near Floyd, Ia., of remains of the ancient mound builders. A circular mound thirty feet in diameter of age, and is a cousin of Judge Jackson, and about two feet high has been opened over the falls, plunging eighty feet into of the U. S. District Court, ex-Governor and five skeletons found. They were exceedingly well preserved, the earth having been very closely packed around them. Three of them were males, one a female and the fifth a babe. The skull of the female is in a good state of preservation, and those who have made careful measurements of I say that it shows that the person belong ed to the very lowest type of humanity. Archæologists claim that the measure ments show inferiority even to the celebrated "Neanderthal" skull. These bones are claimed to be the most perfect of any remains of the mound builders yet discov ered. There are several other mounds near this one, and they will be examined

in a few days. Phenomenon of the Heavens. SIOUX FALLS, DAK., May 3.—A peculiar heavenly phenomenon was seen here last The sky was perfectly clear, except for a long, black cloud in the western horizon, from which protruded immense pillars of fire. They were of a bright red

color. The pillars remained for about wenty minutes, and disappeared. Fatally Crushed by a Tree. PARKERSBURG, W. Va., May 8.—Andrew Mace, of Arnoldsburg, while cutting down a tree last Tuesday, was caught grape-vine and thrown thirty feet, almos directly under the falling tree, which fell upon him, fatally crushing him. Mace was seventy years old the day of the

accident. Pole-Cutting In New York. NEW YORK, May 3 .-- The pole-cutting was resumed in this city. Eighth avenue, from Forty-second to Fifty-eighth streets and Fifty-eighth street, between Sixth and Eighth avenues, were the scenes of the pole-choppers' operations. Work will

be continued at the same places. Michigan Legislation. Lansing, Mich., May 3.—The Senate passed the capital punishment bill, and it now only requires the Governor's signature

to become a law. The local option bill was To Dine With Emperor Wilhelm. BERLIN, May 3.—The Emperor has invited the American delegates to the Samoan

Conference to dine with him at Potsdam

on Monday. Bids on Official Envelopes. WASHINGTON, May 3.—Bids were opened by Postmaster-General Wannamaker, at the Post-office Department, for supplying the Post-office Department and the 58,000 post-offices throughout the United States with official envelopes for the next fiscal year. The amount of the award,

when made, will approximate \$100,000. A Great Musical Event. NEW YORK, May 8.—Arrangements have te a bill was passed providing that physbeen made whereby a series of seventyfive concerts will be given in the leading iology and hygiene shall be taught in the cities of America by Gounod, the great public schools, with especial reference to the effect of alcoholic stimulants on the composer, who has agreed to lead orchestra of eighty persons.

Suicided at His Child's Grave. BROOKLYN, May 3.—Wm. White, aged 50, a wealthy restauranteur, of No. 15 Wall street, New York, shot himself dead in Greenwood Cemetery, where he had gone to visit, as was his frequent custom, the grave of a favorite child, who died some

Remorsaful Murderer Surrenders. Remorseful Murderer Surrenders.
CUMBERLAND, MD, May 3.—John J. McGady, who killed his friend, Barney Creegan, at Midland Mines, February 18, was
brought here to-night by Marshal Hurd,
of Helena, Mon, where McGady was overcome by remorse and voluntarily surrendered himself.

PEOPLE'S DAY.

The Centennial Celebration Ends With

NEW YORK, May 2.—The great Center-

nin! Celebration closed last night. It has been a success from beginning to end, and the whole matter has been enacted upon a higher and broader scale than America ever stepped upon before. The demon-stration yesterday was the people's exhibit, and nothing to compare with it was ever seen in this country.
All the Mardi-Gras performances of New Orleans that people go down from the North to see were child's play and a peanut in a meal bag compared with the New York demonstration in the way of allegorical scenes and fancy floats and industrial and progressive exhibit. Over ninety thousand citizens participated in the demonstration, who buried in the music of myriad industries the solemn echo of the marching military of the day before. In the parade the Italian was prominent. In fact the appearance of he Italians in the procession astonished even old New Yorkers, Nobody appreciated the strength of the Italians in this country. They were second only to the Germans and beat the Irishmen who did nobly. For half an hour the Italians marched past carrying the flag of Italy along with the stars and stripes, and wearing the fanciful uniforms and decorations of the provinces of the old Roman Republic. The greatest demonstration of the day was made by the German Amerieans. Nothing to compare with it was ever seen in the country, and it was magnificent beyond description. For an hour and a half the parade of our Teutonic brethren marched past amid everincreasing admiration and enthusiasm. Over three, hundred Frenchmen and near thousand Africans were in the line in the uniform of the American soldier, and from all quarters of the globe as well as

PRESERVED IN A WELL. adder Sixty-Nine Years in the Earth Discovered Without a Trace of Decay. SCOTTSBURG, IND., May 2.—Some time bout the year 1820 a well was bored at Lexington, this county, with the expectaion of finding oil. The well was dug to a depth of 125 feet and was eight feet in diasylum at the end of ten days. Burns ameter. After that depth was reached a was then reduced to a skeleton, and was a drill was procured and boring was contin-sallow, hollow-eyed idiot. The reporter ned until 600 feet more was reached, lease, Dr. Kirnan, the superintendent of depth the well was abandoned, but the asylum, shook his head ominously and not until it had filled with water advised against it. He declared the re- which was very saity. In descending to the point where the drilling was begun, a knew this because he had watched the ladder 125 feet in length had to be used. A case very closely. Dr. Schulzer, of the few days ago M. V. Getty, of Lexington, commenced to redig the well for the purpose of finding natural gas. The hole had

Peculiarly Sad Accident. PATERSON, N. J., May 2.-James Legg and another young man, with two female friends, set out to row up the Passaic river from above the falls to Laurel Grove Cemon his brother's grave. Owing to recent also will have bills of some sort presented the young women expressed fears that the current was too strong to row against. Legg said he could do it, and jumped into boat. He pushed off and the little craft was almost immediately caught by the current and swept towards the dam just above the falls. Legg jumped from an eddy above and drifted ashore. Legg body was not recovered.

All Quiet in Oklahoma.

WASHINGTON, May 2 .- The following telegram has been received at the War Department from General Crook's headquarters at Chicago: "The following received from General Merritt: Every thing ontinues quiet. Local town governments are practically established. I propose to visit Cherokee outlet, and after arranging matters there to return to headquarters at Leavenworth, if there are no other instructions."

Voodoist Gets a Thrashing.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., May 2.-Advices from Dover, Ark., say that a party of disguised negroes visited the house of a negro named Jack Kelso, some miles beyond that place, burst into his room, thrust his head into a flour sack, dragged him from the house and beat him with switches, inflicting probably fatal injuries. It is said the man assailed was suspected of practicng voodo charms upon his neighbors.

Perils of Telegraphy.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., May 2 .- At Jasper, Walker County, during a severe thundershower and electric storm, young Frank Hurd, the local telegraph operator, was sitting at his desk when the lightning hit his wires, and the current, turning down the wires, passed through his body. He fell forward on the floor and expired in a few moments.

Diseased Cattle Selzed.

BUFFALO, N. Y., May 2 .- A Lake Shore car containing twenty head of uninspected cattle from the West, was switched last night to the Jacob Dold Packing Company's works. It is claimed that the cat-tle were "lump-jawed," and the health authorities to-day condemned them, and they were turned over to the fertilizing works.

Kidnaper Gets a Heavy Sentence.

CHICAGO, May 2.-Mrs. Josie Gurley was sentenced by Judge Shepard to five years' imprisonment in the State penitentlary for kidnaping Annie Redmond.

Statesmen Sail Away. New York, May 2.—Hon. John Sher-man, Hon. John C. New, Consul-General

Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Sweden and Norway; and Lincoln Valentine, Consul from Honduras, sailed for Europe on the steamer City of New To Be Taught Alcohol's Effect. SPRINGFIELD, ILL., May 2 .- In the Son-

at London; Hon. W. W. Thomas, Envoy

Zach Taylor Sentenced to Hang. PETTSBURGH, May 2-Zach Taylor, convicted as an accomplice in the murder of Wm. McCausland, of this city, was sentenced to death in the Greene County circuit court by Judge Ingraham. Taylor

said he was innocent and did not have White-Caps Drive Off a Salconist.
CLEVELAND, O., May 2.—White-Caps denolished the saloon of John Messmore at Rawson, Hancock County, U., last night. This is the second time Messmore has been visited, his saloon having been wrocked

about two months ago He has now decided to leave the place.

STATE NEWS ITEMS.

J. M. WILSON, switchman in the Dayton and Michigan yards at Lima, was dangerously crushed between cars.

THE Dayton Board of Trade has collected and shipped to South Dakota a large amount of clothing and supplies for the sufferers from the recent storms and fires

In that section.

THE Zanesville street car line will be sold to an Eastern syndicate for \$70,000. The gauge will be widened and the cars run by electricity.

EX-REPRESENTATIVE DAVIS, of Cleveland, is to be appointed Assistant In-spector of Shops and Factories for Ohio. Piqua may have a centennial celebration before ong. The Indian agency a Upper Piqua was established nearly a bundred years ago.

THE Sixth and Seventeenth regiments of Ohio Intantry, on their way home from New York, sport a day in Washington, visiting the various places of interest in the city. Many of their members called at the White House. The War Department

was a source of great interest. THE Bellefontaine bank gave \$20,000 for \$18,000 of Bellefontaine water-works bonds. "CHRISTIAN Science" advocates will nold a convention in Cleveland, June 12 and 13. A FARMER named Sheerer and his daughter were fatally injured in a runaway ac-

cident near Tillin. A PETITION is in circulation to have local option in Salem, should Urtana adopt that

method of shutting off salcons. FARMERS say that the tramps are multiplying, and in some localities are becoming a greater nuisance than ever before. THERE is a general complaint from all parts of the State that horses do not bring as good prices as usual.

weeks was opened in Finding, and in it was found a luckless hen that had been without food or water all that time. It was still alive and soon recovered its customary sprightliness when red.

THE contract has been awarded to pipe natural gas to Upper Sandusky. The work is to be done by August 19, and the price is \$42,500.

A LIFE-MAN at the Ohio penitentiary, named Rice, sent up from Butler County, committed suicide by taking morphine. A FREIGHT train on the Cleveland, Lorain and Wheeling railroad went through a bridge into a creek, at Maynard. The conductor was fatally injured,

Tiffin will have a band and fireman's tournament and natural gas celebration July 3 4 and 5. FRANK SCHERER committed suicide at Youngstown. He was despondent A THREE-YEAR-OLD child was fatally

and two men were badly hur'.

burned at Tiffin. DR. M. H. MIESSIE, of Circleville, has received official notification of his appoint-ment as one of the medical examiners of pension claimants in that district. SHERMAN ROBINSON Was arrested near

McArthur, a few days ago, on a dispatch

deserter from the United States Army. He was taken to Columbus. AT Hartwell, Mrs. Protzman, wife of the ticket agent of the Bee-line road, was sandbagged in the office and choked to insensibility by a thief, who stole \$150 from the drawer, and escaped. The woman did not recover consciousness for severa!

hours. Ir will be rem mbered that the Legislature at its last session passed an act increasing the fees for incorporations to be filed with the Secretary of State. The law went into effect May 1. According to the new fee bill the charge on \$10,00) is \$10, and sums over that one-tenth of one

THE city council of Urbana, by a vote, has decided to submit the question of local option to the people on Sa urday, May 25.

farmer o' German Township, Clarke County, was offered the privilege of renting a oig farm. He concluded if he took charge he must have a helpmest. On a Sunday he called on a young lady, a neighbor named Miss Delia Miller, almost a stranger. He explained the situation and proposed. Monday he got the license. Tuesday they were married and Wednesday took charge of

THE chief of police of Columbus, in compliance with the mayor's order, tructed the police in that city to notify keepers of professional gambling rooms to close them after May 1.

A BELLAIRE lady got up a fine dinner for company, then went to the parlor to invite company out. When they got to the dining-room they found that some tramps had cleared the table of everything. JOHN SHELLING aged eighty-seven, and Mrs. Tabitha Ackerman, aged eighty-

three, were recently married in Wayne County. AKRON is trying to form a board of trade. One hundred and fifty names have been secured.

In making an excavation for an avenue at Cumminsville, Cincinnati, whole trees, perfectly petrified, were found forty feet from the surface of the ground. CHRISTIAN RUCHLE Was robbed of \$500 an i shot through the thigh by two high-

waymen, near Tiffin.

disease.

Suir has been brought at Zanesville against the Cincinnati and Muskingum Valley Bailroad Company for \$10,000 damages, by Thomas Smith, a former employe, who was injured, as he claims, by the Company's negligence.

A CHARLESTON (W. Va.) syndicate has

purcuased the Hotel Martin block and the opera house at Lancaster. MRS. SAM'L HOOVER, aged eighty years dropped dead at Bellefontaine, while apparently in good health. Supposed heart

THIEVES entered the stable of Wm. Waiteraft, at DeGraff, and stole horse, buggy and harnes . W. H. A. ROUDABAUGH, shoe dealer at Belleville, has assigned. Assets and liabilities about \$4,000 each. Harmon Tar-

bar assignee. NUMBER enrolled at the Dayton Soldiers' Louis Miller, Mansfield farmer, hung himself; despondent THERE were six cases of suicide at Cleve-

land within a week. HENRY RIGHARD shot and killed himself at Columbus, the other day. A NEWLY-ELECTED Columbiana County fir t couple for nothing provided he is per-

mitted to kiss the bride Tom CROSSLEY, of Columbus, was seriously injured while coupling cars near Cincionati. A FIVE-YEAR-OLD boy shot and killed his

Canton. THE boiler in the factory of W. D. Krick, three miles from Shane's Crossing, and south of Van Wert, exploded with terrific force, demolishing the building and killing Engineer Irving Meyers. A man named Priddy was fatally injured, while D. Krick, John Painter, John Harttog and two others were more or less hurt. The mili is a total wreck. Pieces of the boiler were blown three hundred yards.

THE bursting of an emery wheel in Brown, Hinman & Co.'s, at the Ohio penitentiary, seriously injuring William sell and George William;

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

-The action in line of battle was in some cases quite different from what it appears to be in the lyin' of battle

years later. - Merchant Traveter. -- In this advanced age of progress and reform it is extremely singular that no bench show for dudes has yet

been established.—Troy Times. -Snooper-"You call that a picked choir, do you?" Chorister--"Yes; why do you ask?" Snooper-"It strikes me that it was picked too soon!"--Time

-"Yes," said Bagley. "I have begon quite famous as an author, and the I have to cultivate eccentricities. I am around paying my debts."-Albany Journal. -Irate wife (to saloonkeeper)-

Does my husband spend much time

here, sir?" "Yes, madam, but you need not be uneasy; that's all be does spend."-Toledo Blade. -Various papers say that marriage is on the decline. That may in, but the ladies who are over sixtee; and

under sixty years of age are not on the decline.—Texas Siftings. -Curiosity is an essentially feminine virtue; but most observant observers have observed that a man is not at all unwilling to listen to the information his inquisitive wife may have gathered.

-Somerville Journal. -Wife-"Here it is one o'clock. What have you got for an excuse this time?" Husband-"I was to a 'wrest-A Box car that had been closed for six | ling match." Wife - "Yes, that's good. I guess by the looks of your clothing that the other fellow won every fall."-N. Y. Graphic.

-Son-"Papa, how do they catch! lunatics?" Cynical father-"With large straw hats and feathers and white dresses, jewelry and neat gloves, my boy." Mamma (musingly)-"Yes, I remember that's how I dressed before we were married."-Boston Gazette. -Miss Ponsonby-"I didn't have the pleasure of a call from the Italian count

before he left. From the stories in cir-

culation about him perhaps I didn't miss much." Miss Candidde-"If he

had called you probably would have missed a great deal."—Town Topics. -At the theater-Mr. Simpkins-"What are you doing?" Mrs. Simpkins-"I'm going to take off my bonnet and hold it in my lap." "I never saw you so considerate of any one's pleasure before." "Umph! You seedn't think it's that. I'm the only woman in the house that hasn't got a new spring bonnet, and you ought to be ashumed of

it."-Chicago Herald. from Columbus, charging him with being "I have always admired proverbs, my dear," Mr. Dusenberry said, as he rubbed his chin in a contemplative way. "They are check full of significance. They are laconic and logical. Now, for instance, there is the saying, Straws show which way the wind blows.' What could more tersely----" "Yes," interrupted Mrs. Dusenberry, with a twinkle in her starboard eye. "If you'd sift the ashes every morning, instead of letting me sift them, you'd know more about the direction of the wind than all the straws in creation

would show you." LEGALIZED NICKNAMES.

A Custom That Was Once Quite Gener-Nicknames are not likely to go out of fashion so long as human nature remains what it is. School-boys will nickname each other, collegians will nickname their professors, and soldiers speak of their commanders as "Little Mac." "Uncle Billy," "Fighting Joe," or what-not. In these days, however, it is not customary to spread such titles upon official records as was formerly

the habit, according to the author of the "Antiquities of Long Island." In 1644, in the Dutch records, we have John Pietersen, alias Friend John. In the Newton purchase from the Indians, dated in 1656, one of the boundaries is "by a Dutchman's land called Hans the Boore," and in the Bushwick patent, dated October 12. 1667, one of the boundaries is "John the Swedes meadow." In 1695, in the Kings County records, a man is named living at Gowanus as "Tunis the

Fisher. The Common Council of New York, in 1671, ordered fish to be brought into the dock "over against the City Hall, or the house that Long Mary formerly lived in." and in the same year an order was passed "that Top Knot Betty and her children be provided for as

objects of charity." The explanation of this custom, in many cases, was that the persons in question either had no family names or had forgotten them, so that the use of their generally accepted nicknames

became a necessity. So numerous were the Smiths living ipon Long Island that it was thought necessary to distinguish the various original families by some peculiar name. Thus we have the Rock Smiths, the Blue Smiths, the Bull Smiths and the Weight Smiths .- Youths' Com-

panion. THE MELODIOUS TUI. Something About the Sweetest Singer of All the Birds.

Birds of which we know nothing here, and which, strange to say, were not even found in that bird puzzle of ours, are seen in Australia and New Zealand. A traveler in those faraway lands tells us something about the Tui: While we stood watching the stream an exquisite sound broke squire advertises that he will marsy his upon our ears. It was like the piping of those reeds that the dervishes in the East play upon while their brethren perform their strange devotions This piping was constantly being varied, sometimes by even softer, but sometimes by more metallic sounds. At little cousin during a childish quarrel at one moment the song grew so loud that it seemed to be quite close, the next it appeared to melt away in the distance

Suddenly it ceased. It was a Tuithe most beautiful songster in the world. We saw one on a branch a few minutes later. It was about the size of a blackbird, the plumage of a blue-black with metallic hues, and in places almost like velvet. The beak ANOTHER gas-well has been drilled in was yellow, as were also the legs. At the throat it had two little tufts of white feathers, which gave the bird a white feathers, which gave the bird a rather quaint appearance. In New Zealand some of the birds are protected by government, but many have died out -St. Paul Globe.